

January 25, 2002

Ms. Renata Hesse Trial Attorney Antitrust Division Department of Justice 601 D Street NW, Suite 1200 Washington, DC 20530

Re: Microsoft Proposed Settlement Agreement

Dear Ms. Hesse:

It is time to end the pursuit of Microsoft. It is time to accept the terms of the recently negotiated settlement.

A vast majority of American consumers feel they have benefited from Microsoft products and feel Microsoft has contributed to the economic growth of the United States. I consider myself one of those American consumers.

The settlement worked out with the nation's top mediators will be good for everyone, consumers, businesses, the technology industry and the economy.

On behalf of the Rowlett Chamber Commerce being part of the Texas Association of Businesses and Chambers of Commerce and a spokesperson for the Rowlett business community I urge there be an end to the Microsoft case; agree to a settlement that is in our nation's best interest.

Sincerely,

Mary Alice Ethridge

President/Executive Director